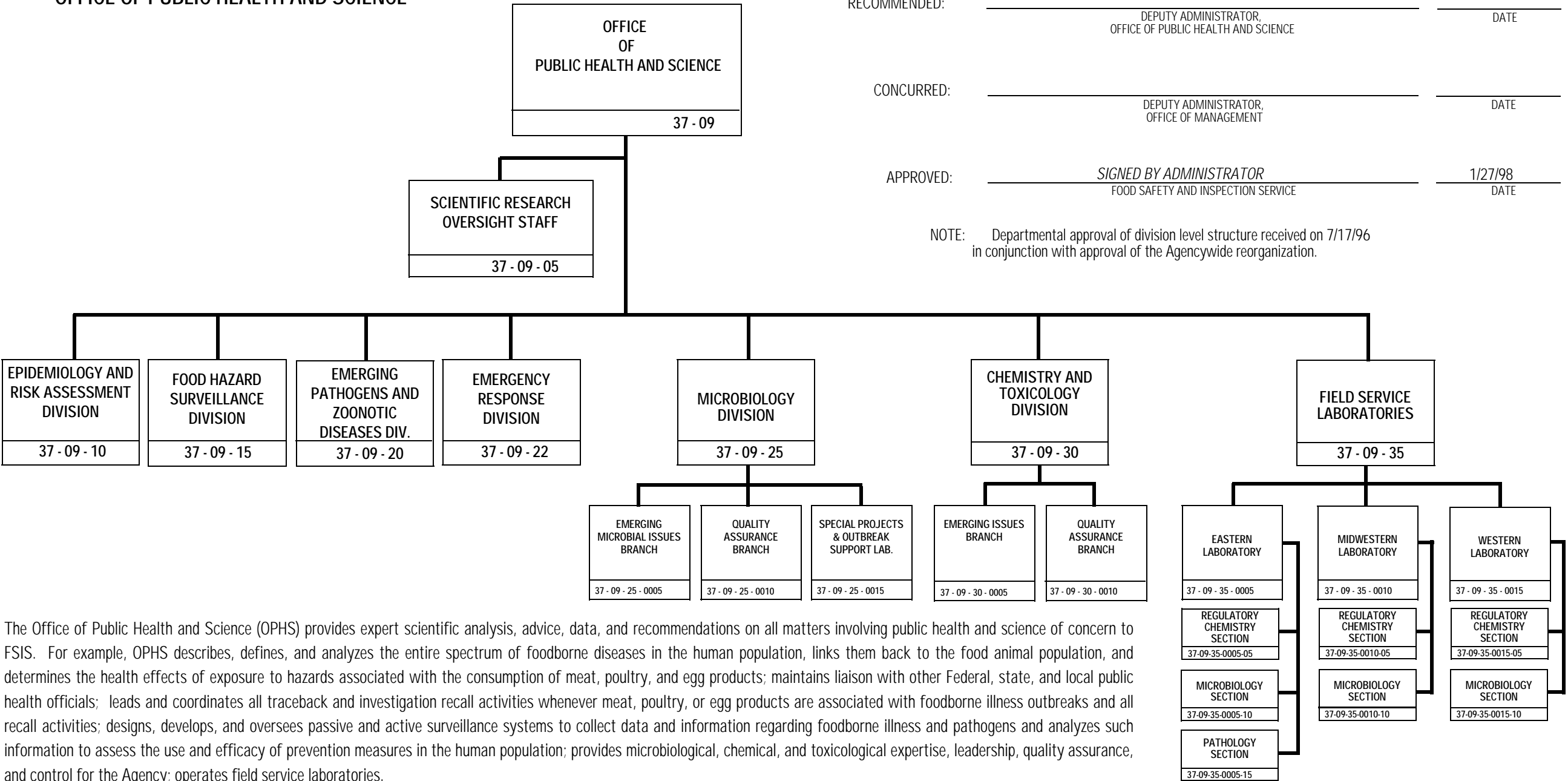


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NOTE:

Departmental approval of division level structure received on 7/17/96  
in conjunction with approval of the Agencywide reorganization.

The Office of Public Health and Science (OPHS) provides expert scientific analysis, advice, data, and recommendations on all matters involving public health and science of concern to FSIS. For example, OPHS describes, defines, and analyzes the entire spectrum of foodborne diseases in the human population, links them back to the food animal population, and determines the health effects of exposure to hazards associated with the consumption of meat, poultry, and egg products; maintains liaison with other Federal, state, and local public health officials; leads and coordinates all traceback and investigation recall activities whenever meat, poultry, or egg products are associated with foodborne illness outbreaks and all recall activities; designs, develops, and oversees passive and active surveillance systems to collect data and information regarding foodborne illness and pathogens and analyzes such information to assess the use and efficacy of prevention measures in the human population; provides microbiological, chemical, and toxicological expertise, leadership, quality assurance, and control for the Agency; operates field service laboratories.

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